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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of Paula Sosalla et al. Art Unit 3761  
Serial No. 09/977,062  
Filed October 12, 2001  
Confirmation No. 1782  
For A DISPOSABLE ABSORBENT ARTICLE HAVING A COLOR GRADATION  
FEATURE

December 11, 2001

**LETTER IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING  
PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS,

SIR:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of  
Nonprovisional Application - Filing Date Granted," dated November  
\* 16, 2001, enclosed is applicants signed Declaration and Power of  
\* Attorney in the above-referenced application. A copy of the  
\* Notice is returned herewith.

\* Also enclosed is a check for \$1150.00 in payment of the  
filing fee, multiple dependent claim fee, and the surcharge.

\* Also enclosed is a Supplemental Application Data Sheet which  
reflects corrected forms of the names of the inventors and the  
assignee. Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R.  
1.76(d)(4), that the bibliographic data be recaptured to  
correctly reflect the names. Please send the undersigned a  
corrected filing receipt indicating the changed information  
provided in the Supplemental Application Data Sheet.

An assignment by the inventors to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide,  
Inc. is being mailed today.

Respectfully submitted,

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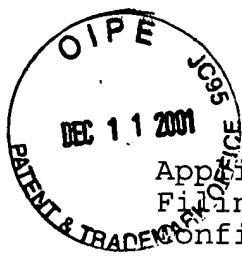
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\*Enclosures

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL**

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Inventor(s) Paula Sosalla et al.  
Group Art Unit 3761  
Examiner Name  
Attorney Docket Number KCC 4777

**METHOD OF PAYMENT**

1. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the indicated fees to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.
- ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
2. ☐ Check Enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any under payment or credit any over payment to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.

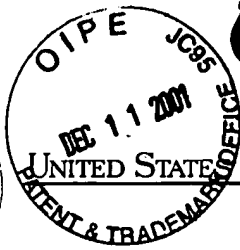
**FEE CALCULATION**

1. ☒ BASIC FILING FEE Subtotal (1) \$ 740.00  
(Type: Utility)
2. ☒ EXTRA CLAIM FEES Subtotal (2) \$ 280.00  
Total Claims 18  
Independent Claims 2  
Multiple Dependent Claims 2
3. ☒ ADDITIONAL FEES Subtotal (3) \$ 130.00  
☒ Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  
☐ Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet  
☐ Extension for reply within \_\_\_\_\_ month  
☐ Notice of Appeal  
☐ Filing a Brief in Support of an appeal  
☐ Request for ex parte Reexamination  
☐ Petitions to the Commissioner  
☐ Submission of Information Disclosure Statement  
☐ Recording each patent assignment per property  
☐ Request for Continued Examination  
☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** \$ 1,150.00

Donald W. Tuegel 12/11/01  
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09/977,062	10/12/2001	Paula Sosalla	KCC 4777

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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$280.
  - \$280 for multiple dependent claim surcharge.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1150.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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